

My dear Sir

Petersburg. 27 Dec 1819.

I avail myself of your kind permission to trouble you with a list of a few objects of Natural History - of which probably your proposer will tell me what your Museum proposes - and at the same time say whether it would be gratifying to him to establish a correspondence with the British Museum - for the purpose of exchanging Duplicates &c - in which case I will send him a letter of introduction to my friend Dr. Leach, whose name is apparently familiar to him.

I recall with delightful recollection the few pleasing moments I spent with you at Dorpat, and shall deem myself greatly privileged should I again visit your University.

In connection with your Italian tour may I ask you if you have read the beautiful descriptions of Lord Byron's *Grand Castle of Childe Harold*, - & the notes by Wobhouse?

I beg my compliments to your Lady & am with great respect  
Yours very sincerely

John Bowring



All Species of Crustacea (Crustacées) and of the  
 Families Lentredinidae (Lentredo) Staphylinii  
 (Staphylinus Linn.!) of the genera Meloe (Linn. Fabr.)  
 & Carabus Linn.



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